

# AUTOMOTIVE SECTION

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## WHY?

Why do sane people, the opportunities for a prosperous livelihood being equal, elect to live in crowded, noisy, polluted-atmosphere cities, when they may obtain a healthy residence and a normal, fresh-air life beside the attractions of nature, in the country? The farmer labors more hours than the city man during a portion of the year, but there is a period of several months when his hours are much less, so that the advantage of city over country life in this respect, actually fades.

The city furnishes amusements which are not available in the country, but on the other hand the country offers many rational forms of amusements which cannot be obtained in the city. Workers are better paid in the country, but as a rule jobs are easier to get and to hold, in the country. The farm worker is not affected in such degree as the city worker by strikes and periods of industrial depression. Country workers are better fed and healthier than those in the city. It is highly improbable that more farm workers attain a competence in life than city workers even though the latter receive better salaries.

Marked advantages which city life holds over country life exist principally in the matters of housing and modern conveniences. No wonder the farmer's family and his hired help grow dissatisfied when they contrast the warmth and the conveniences and the general comfort of city homes with the old-fashioned structure and appearances of the average country home—frequently ramshackle, cold, no lavatories, no bathing facilities, no kitchen sinks; none of the modern devices so economical, labor-saving and easy to obtain.

"Keep the young people on the farm," has become a slogan typifying a movement of almost national necessity. In order to keep them there, some of the more disagreeable features of farm life must be eliminated. Personal cleanliness, so difficult to maintain with the average farm facilities, is just as essential to the self-respecting country resident as to the city dweller; and the difficulty is realized seriously, especially by the young men and young women of the rural districts. Where water is easily obtained, there seems little excuse for its not being more generally utilized in bath tubs, lavatories and kitchens in the country.

Farmers generally, we believe, are awaking to the fact that rational improvements, especially better homes and farm buildings, are not an expense but an asset to the farm. Every dollar spent in better dwellings, better conveniences, better buildings, for stock, grain and implements, not only adds to the sale value of the land which it improves, but returns actual profits in increased production, lessened waste, and greater contentment and more efficient work among farm residents.—Exchange.

## "Great Basin" Region.

What is known as the Great Basin of North America is an inland drainage in western United States, situated between the Sierra Nevada and Cascade ranges on the west. It comprises most of Nevada and portions of Utah, Oregon, Idaho and California, and has a total area of about 210,000 square miles. The basin has a graded slope from the north, where the elevation is 4,000 feet above the sea, toward the south, forming a tilted plateau whose surface is broken by interrupted groups of mountains with a general north and south trend.

## IN AND ABOUT THE CITY

When a man loses his heart his head has to do double work.

It takes a mighty good mixer to combine business and pleasure.

Why pay a doctor unless you profit by his advice? The doctor does.

Few of us get any greater happiness out of life than the kind we brew at home.

The pessimist hesitates to begin at the bottom for fear the bottom will fall out.

Some people can't even stand up for their rights without feeling high and mighty.

The fellow who is a bad egg may not be hard to beat, but nobody wants to tackle the job.

Experience is a good investment, but even at that many a man pays more for it than it is worth.

Wags—"Cicero" says the secret of his wealth lies in making his money go a long way. Wags—"Huh! After he has experienced the pangs of letting it go at all, I suppose."

Muggins—"Mrs. Talkatoot is such a public-spirited woman, interested in so many civic and national affairs, I wonder why she ever married." Bugdum—"I suppose because it's absolutely necessary for her always to have an audience."

## STARS AND STRIPES

Theills of life find easy entrance through the door of idleness.

Great expectations and small preparations usually go hand in hand.

The lowest possible bid for a woman's acquaintance is a smile offered to flirtation.

The man who boasts only of his ancestors' conquests belongs to a family that is better dead than alive.

When people wrong us and we put them back in their own coin there is always a lot of change waiting for us.

There may be shortage of houses, sugar, wool and other things, but there is always enough hypocrisy to go around.

Winds of change on the sea of life, taking men out of their course, often bear them to a safer haven than the port of their desires.

Thrill is the admired friend of comfort, cheerfulness, health and independence; yet acquainted with her, and there where she claim you for her company.—Chicago American.

## SERVICE

Service is the keynote of the modern, progressive concern.

By cultivating quietness you will be more disposed to cultivate other habits which harmonize with quietness.

The best service usually can be rendered in a quiet, business-like way rather than by any blare of trumpets and noisome gabble.

Mastery of the habit of quietness will help you to overcome losing your temper—and nothing so lowers a person in eyes of others as violent outbursts of temper.

Quietness and patience and perseverance nearly always go hand in hand.—Forbes Magazine.

## SAP AND SALT

The sorrows of childhood are soon over.

You can't tell what a man is made of till some one calls him a liar.

A country can always find an excuse for a war if it has a big army.

Flex Heck says: "For some husbands, life is just one dressmaking bill after another."

"Working" the old man is about all the work the average young man is interested in.

The fellow who carries the basket to the picnic and puts up the awning usually finds the lazy fellows have all the girls.

## Decline of the Parlor.

One of the large manufacturing companies of the United States is engaged in the construction of a great number of houses for its employees and while there are many novel features to the way of making conveniences, the most striking thing about the houses is the total absence of the parlor. The space is thrown in to the other rooms. It looks as if the parlor was out of fashion.

"John Gilpin" Composed in Night. Cowper composed and memorized the whole of his humorous masterpiece, "John Gilpin," during a sleepless night.

## DRIVER DEFT AT SHIFTING GEARS

All Motions With Levers Must Be Made Deliberately and Without Undue Haste.

## PROBLEMS ON TRANSMISSION

It is a Serious Mistake to Permit Car to Gain Too Much Speed Before Changing Combinations—Good Method Outlined.

One of the marks of a good driver is the manner in which he handles the gear shifting lever. Of course, the design of the clutch has a great deal to do with easy gear shifting, but even with this advantage a certain amount of practice is necessary in order to shift the gears deftly without noise or clashing.

The transmission is made up of a series of gears, mounted on the main shaft and the countershaft, with the idler gear mounted on the transmission case. The first speed, second speed and reverse combinations are simply three sets of reduction gears with various ratios, to give the motor a greater leverage against the driving mechanism when required. High speed is direct drive, which means that the propeller shaft revolves at the same rate of speed as the motor crankshaft. The various gears are brought into play by moving the gear shifting lever to the proper positions.

## Power Is Disconnected.

When the clutch pedal is pressed all the way down the power of the motor is disconnected from the transmission system, which releases the pressure of the gear teeth against each other and makes it possible to shift the gears. Also, when the gear shifting lever is in neutral position the power is disconnected from the rear driving mechanism, because none of the transmission gears are in mesh.

The whole theory of gear shifting may be summed up in the statement that the two gears about to be meshed should be revolved slowly and as nearly as possible at the same rate of speed. If one is revolved much faster than the other, it is difficult to shift without clashing.

## How to Get Good Results.

It is a mistake, for the above reasons, to let the car gain too great a speed before shifting into a higher combination. The following method will be found to give good results:

With the throttle closed and the spark lever about halfway down the quadrant, so that the engine idles slowly, throw out the clutch and put the gear shifting in first-speed position. Engage the clutch slowly, at the same time pressing down on the accelerator pedal gradually. Let the car attain a speed of about four or five miles an hour and then throw out the clutch, removing the right foot entirely from the accelerator pedal. Push the lever slightly forward into neutral position, then clear to the left and forward into second speed. Let the clutch in gently, as before, and accelerate the speed of the car to about eight or ten miles an hour, when the clutch should be again disengaged, the foot removed from the accelerator and the gear shifting lever pulled straight back into high speed position.

All of these motions should be made deliberately without haste.

## TIRE CHANGES ARE FAVORED

It Is Well to Replace Rear Tires With Front Ones and Also to Reverse Sides.

After the rear tires have worn considerably, interchange with the front tires. It is also good to reverse sides. The tractive strain on the rear wheels makes it advisable to place new tires on the rear wheels, moving the old ones forward. Some of the greatest mileage records known have been gained in this way.

## AUTOMOBILE NEWS

Maryland has a state motorcycle constabulary.

Gasoline costs more than \$1 a gallon in Japan.

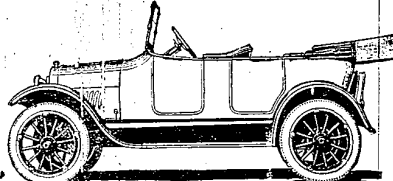
There is now in operation one motor-truck to carry 100 inhabitants of the United States.

A new rheostat for dimming automobile headlights can be clamped to a car's steering post.

Nearly all cities, large and small, in South America are installing motor fire-fighting apparatus as part of their equipment.

An oil-burning Diesel type of engine has been invented for automobile use that is said to run on butter, lard, or even powdered coal.

Motor vehicle production in Detroit and the state of Michigan for May totaled 144,601, as compared with 141,905 in April and 142,088 for May, 1920.




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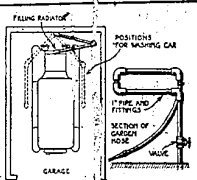
## SWIVELED-PIPE VERY USEFUL FOR WASHING

Also of Great Advantage in Filling Radiator.

End Can Be Swung Around Without Splashing Water Over Shoes, Car, Etc.—Section of Garden Hose Is Quite Ample.

A swiveled pipe connection with the hydrant as is shown in the illustration is of advantage in the garage for filling the radiator and for washing the car. The connection is two lengths of pipe about 1 inch in diameter, joined by means of four standard elbow fittings and a short coupling. This is attached to the water-main brought up about 3 feet from the floor, with the shut-off valve placed on this pipe. The water main is usually located in the end of the garage farthest from the entrance.

The swiveled pipe will permit of swinging the end over the filling cup of the radiator and this is filled with-

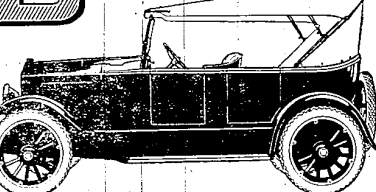


Where Much Cleaning and Washing Has to Be Done, as in the Wagon Shed or Garage, This Swiveled Pipe Will Be Very Useful.

out splashing the water over the floor, shoes, hood, etc. by simply turning the water on. A 4-foot section of garden hose is ample for use with this extension when washing the car. The hose is fitted with a screw connection that may be readily unconnected.—Popular Science Monthly.

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